

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a shameful example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair's use of the public airwaves, free of charge, legally obligates the corporation to serve the public interest. In this case, our interest is what's good for our democracy--a balanced view of the candidates and their positions. Instead of substantive news about issues that matter to our country, we're getting what the corporation thinks is good for its bottom line.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. The corporation shows why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.